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Title: Front-Loadable Refuse Container Having Side-Loading Robotic Arm with Motors and Other Mass Mounted at Rear of Container and Use of Same with Front-Loading Waste-Hauling Vehicle Having Hydraulic Front Forks or Other Retractable Engageable Lift Means  
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